



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2006**

The City Council of Austin, Texas, convened in a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2006 at The Crossings, 13500 FM 2769, Austin, TX.

Mayor Wynn called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Present were:

Mayor Will Wynn, Mayor Pro Tem Betty Dunkerley, and Council Members Cole, Kim, Leffingwell, Martinez and McCracken.

Staff: Toby Futrell, Rudy Garza, Laura Huffman, Bert Lumbreras, Michael McDonald, David Smith, John Stephens, Kristen Vassallo and Shirley Gentry.

Council Aides: Gloria Aguilera, Rich Bailey, Bobby Garza, Andy Mormon, Kelly Vidovik, and Kenny Thompson.

Media: Sarah Coppola, Statesman, Kimberly Reeves, In Fact Daily, and Steve Pickering, KLBJ.

Presenters: John Nalbandian, Ph.D. and Carol Nalbandian, Ph.D.

1. The meeting convened with a welcome from Mayor Wynn and Ken Beck, owner of The Crossings. Toby Futrell presented the Mayor with a special recognition for the successful bond passage.
2. A presentation and discussion of the "working conditions" and challenges facing a governing body was done by John Nalbandian, Ph.D.

The meeting was recessed at 9:50 a.m.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 10:00 a.m.

3. A goal setting exercise, beginning at the broadest level and then narrowing the focus to achievable outcomes and priorities was facilitated by both John and Carol Nalbandian.

The meeting was recessed at 11:50 a.m.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 1:20 p.m.

4. Council participated in the development of strategic goals that incorporate the goals in the existing Strategic Plan.

The meeting was recessed at 2:15 p.m.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 2:38 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 4:20 p.m.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 4:30 p.m.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 5:40 p.m.

The minutes for the Special Meeting of November 9, 2006 were approved on this the 30th day of November, 2006 on Council Member Leffingwell's motion, Council Member Martinez' second on a 7-0 vote.